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Dear Jack,

As I indicated in my October 16th note, it now appears more likely that I shall stop in St. Louis early next year. Presently I'm scheduled to address Principia College on the evening of February 7th.

I have recently been trying to increase the amount of support that our intelligence agencies give to our business community, mainly through the publication of more unclassified studies that may be of interest to companies like yours. I have also attempted to increase the amount of dialogue with the business community so as to better know what kinds of studies would be of most interest to it. In addition to working through our normal CIA offices in various cities around the country, I've undertaken a program of meeting with groups of businessmen to discuss common interests and concerns. Rube Mettler, for instance, recently pulled a luncheon/discussion group together of about fifteen business and industrial leaders in Cleveland, and we had a spirited exchange. I wonder if there would be any interest in something similar in St. Louis while I'm there during the day on the 7th of February. I don't want to impose on you, but I would most appreciate your advice as to whether there is a group of executives who would like to sit down and have an informal and free-flowing exchange—no speeches.

Whether or not a luncheon/discussion works out, I hope there might be time on your calendar for me just to drop by and say hello. In the meantime, Pat and I still recall your and Mary Jane's gracious hospitality at The Homestead last October. We certainly enjoyed that evening together.

With warmest regards.

Yours,

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